

Stormwater Management

Stormwater is rain and snowmelt that flows over rooftops, driveways, parking lots, and other hard surfaces that prevent water from soaking into the ground. Stormwater carries pollutants that harm lakes, streams, estuaries, and other waterbodies. Mismanaged and illicit pollutants in stormwater can harm wildlife, cause flooding and erosion, and limit recreation in public spaces.

Stormwater management is a mix of engineering, construction, site maintenance, and public outreach efforts to address stormwater runoff quality and quantity. Everyone – residents, developers and contractors, businesses, and industrial institutions play a critical role in protecting our waterways.

Stormwater Management Information

What you need to know about stormwater

https://www.millisma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhli901/f/uploads/millis_stormwater_fact_sheet_june_2021.pdf

Residents

What can you do to help protect local waterways?

<https://www.thinkbluemassachusetts.org/for-residents>

What to do about dog poo

<https://yourcleanwater.org/residents/pet-waste/>

What to do about septic systems

<https://www.merrimackvalleystormwater.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Town-of-Newbury-Septic-System-Care-Brocchure.pdf>

What to do about leaf litter

<https://mysticriver.org/stormwater/>

Businesses

What can you do to help protect local waterways?

<https://www.thinkbluemassachusetts.org/for-residents>

Developers

What can you do to prevent pollution?

<https://www.thinkbluemassachusetts.org/for-residents>

Industrial

Gas stations: What can you do to prevent pollution?

www.thinkbluemassachusetts.org/for-residents